



RESOLUTION TO COMMEND THE DUMFRIES UNITED METHODIST CHURCH FOR ITS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

WHEREAS, what began as an effort to reform the Church of England under the leadership of John and Charles Wesley, Methodism turned into a religious movement in America following the victory of the Revolutionary War, and

WHEREAS, the need for a Methodist Church in America became obvious and John Wesley sought the help of Thomas Coke to make it a reality, and

WHEREAS, a community's growing faith, accompanied by Bishop Francis Asbury's visit to Dumfries in 1801 and a recorded transfer of land on June 8, 1803, which is noted in Prince William County's deed book, were the building blocks of what is now the Dumfries United Methodist Church, and

WHEREAS, from the early 1800s, the congregations' beliefs and faith were tested but withstood several difficulties, including multiple wars and numerous rebuildings of their church, and

WHEREAS, in 1965 Lee Lansing Jr.'s design of the current church was completed and the 1906 church bell was placed at the site and serves as a testament to the congregations' strength, faith and commitment to the Dumfries community, and

WHEREAS, the Dumfries United Methodist Church proves its dedication to serving the will of God and supporting the Dumfries community through worship, several outreach programs and various community involvement groups, and its membership and involvement in the community continues to grow, and

WHEREAS, the Dumfries United Methodist Church has recently celebrated its 210th Anniversary.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Town Council does hereby commend the *Dumfries United Methodist Church* and its congregation on its extensive service and spiritual support to the Dumfries citizens and welcomes Pastor Dale Gillis to lead the Church in its continued success.

Gerald M. Foreman, Mayor
Town of Dumfries
September 3, 2013



**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JOHN WEBB FOR HIS
CONTINUED YEARS OF SERVICE ON THE PLANNING
COMMISSION**

WHEREAS, on September 16, 1991, John Webb was appointed to the Planning Commission, and became a Certified Planning Commissioner by the State of Virginia shortly thereafter, and

WHEREAS, while serving on the Planning Commission Mr. Webb served as a Commissioner for 6 years, Vice Chair for 8 years, and Chairman for over 8 years, and

WHEREAS, while serving on the Planning Commission Mr. Webb contributed his efforts to the revision of the second ever comprehensive plan, helped revise the zoning ordinance three times, and continues to bestow his planning knowledge on the Town.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Town of Dumfries on this the 3rd day of September, 2013, that John Webb be recognized for his years of dedication and continued service to the Town.

Gerald M. Foreman, Mayor
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